GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
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UNANI SYSTEM OF MEDICINE
TUFANI SAROJ

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to promote Unani System of Medicine;

(b) if so, the Scheme formulated by the Government in this regard;

(c) whether the Government also propose to provide more funds in order to promote this system of medicine; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (DR. C.P. THAKUR)

(a) & (b) : A number of schemes are already under implementation to help promote the Indian Systems of Medicine including Unani System of Medicine. These include :

- Grant-in-aid Scheme for strengthening the existing Under Graduate Colleges of ISM & H.
- Grant-in-aid Central Scheme for Re-orientation of ISM&H personnel.
- Scheme for upgradation of Departments of Homoeopathy Colleges for imparting Post Graduate Training and Research.

- Central Scheme for Development and Cultivation of Medicinal Plants.
- Central Scheme for Development of Agro-techniques of Medicinal Plants used in ISM&H.
- Extra-mural research scheme.
- Scheme for IEC (Information, Education and Communication).

(c) : Budget allocation for 9th Plan has substantially been increased over 8th Plan, from Rs. 27.35 Crores to Rs. 73.91 Crores.

(d) : Does not arise.